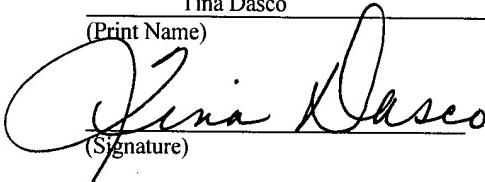


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11. Priority - 35 U.S.C. §119

FOREIGN PRIORITY

[] Foreign Priority of application(s) number _____ filed on _____ in _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(a)-(d) or 35 U.S.C. §365(a)-(b).

[] The certified copy(ies) has(have) been filed in prior U.S. patent application Serial No. _____ on _____.

[] The certified copy(ies) will follow.

PRIORITY TO PROVISIONAL APPLICATION(S) UNDER 35 U.S.C. §119(e)

[] Priority of prior provisional application(s) Serial No. _____ filed on _____ is(are) claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e).

[] Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line, the following sentence: --
This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of provisional application(s) Serial
No. _____, filed _____. --

12. RELATION BACK UNDER 35 U.S.C. §120

(A) [] Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line, the following sentence: -- This is a [] continuation [] divisional of copending application(s) [] Serial No. _____ filed on _____. --

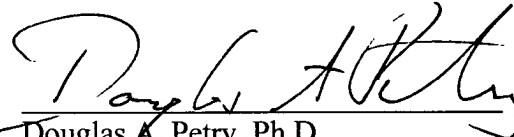
(B) [] A copy of the oath or declaration from the prior application noted above is enclosed.

13. [] INCORPORATION BY REFERENCE

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under 12. (B), is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

14. [] The power of attorney in prior application is to:

- a. [] The power appears in the original papers of the prior application.
- b. [] Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
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